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Dear Mr. Jostes:

I hope that the extra time will also be used to address the issues raised in the [letter](#) I presented to the BEIR VII committee at its very first meeting. As you may recall, Dr. Monson had publicly promised me that the committee would take those issues as seriously as if they had been raised by a member of the committee itself. People from around the world, including many scientists, signed that carefully written letter, and we shall all be most disappointed to say the least if the issues are not taken up substantively at an early date and pursued. I expect that the results of those investigations will be made a part of the final report.

Please share this communication with Dr. Monson and the rest of the committee and please confirm for me that you have done so. IEER shall be following the BEIR VII process closely in the coming year, and I wish you and the committee members well in your deliberations. I hope that the next century shall not be like the last during which official science was repeatedly having to admit that it had not been conservative enough in protecting public health and the environment from radiation and non-radioactive toxic materials.

Arjun Makhijani

At 03:04 PM 12/27/2000 -0500, you wrote:

The BEIR VII study has been extended two years in order that new information on the doses to the Japanese atomic bomb survivors can be developed and analyzed. The new anticipated date for completion of the study is October, 2003.

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